

# Most Holy Redeemer Parish

#### Mass Schedule

Weekend Liturgies Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. Saturday 8:30 a.m.

*Rosary* Recited daily after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

#### Holy Cross Adoration Chapel 3650 W. 96<sup>th</sup> Street

Monday, 6 a.m. - 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, closed Wednesday, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. – 12 noon

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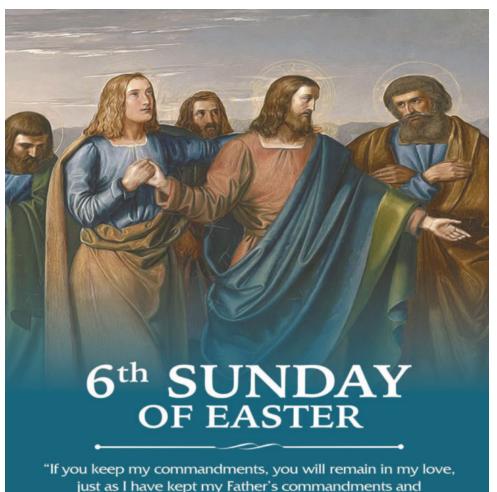


Sunday, May 5, 2024

**First Reading:** The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. (Acts 10:45-46)

Second Reading: Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. (1 Jn 4:8)

**Gospel:** "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (Jn 15:13)



remain in his love." - Jn 15:10

#### **Parish Staff**

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Bulletin Editor Eileen Brett bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer .org WELCOME

If you are new to our Church or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a Church home, or your Church is not a home to you, we invite you to become part of our parish family. Our Church is open to anyone looking for a spiritual home. Contact the Parish Office at 425.5354 ext 203 to register.

We're glad you're here and hope you'll join us!

#### SACRAMENTS

Baptism Call 708-425-5354 to make arrangements with the Rectory for the Baptism and the Enrichment Program. Baptisms will take place on the first and third Sundays at 12 noon. Marriage Couples intending to marry should call the Rectory and speak to one of the priests.

#### Funeral Liturgy Information

Please visit the MHR parish website mostholyredeemer.org scroll down to the "Funerals" box to find the funeral guidelines, readings, music selections, and order of liturgy.

> Funeral and Wedding Music/contact Linda Maffiola at <u>lmaffiola@mostholyredeemer.org</u>

> > *Reconciliation* Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

# Do You Use Electronic Contributions?



To set up electronic contributions visit www.givecentral.org. In the search box, enter *Most Holy Redeemer*.

Select *View All* to see the different ways to support our parish. When you are ready, click on *My Gift Basket* to either Log In or Sign Up.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the family of Most Holy Redeemer Parish, commit ourselves to enriching our relationship with God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we continue to build the Kingdom of God in our midst. Our vision is to foster the faith of all through prayer, service, education, and ministry.

# A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

You can find a national day for just about anything. There are national days for different types of food. There are national days for different activities. There are national days for different causes. There are national days for just about anything.

I was recently looking at a list of national days. I checked up on this Sunday, May 5, to see if it was any kind of national day. As luck would have it, not only is May 5 Cinco de Mayo, but it is also National Lemonade Day, African World Heritage Day, and World Portuguese Language Day. If that were not enough, May 5 is also Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day for the Jewish community), and World Laughter Day. It is this last one that I found intriguing.

World Laughter Day is celebrated on the first Sunday in May each year. The observance began in India. Dr. Madan Kataria believed in the theory that one's facial expressions can influence one's emotions. This inspired him to begin World Laughter Day in 1998 in an effort to bring people around the world together through laughter, to help promote and manifest world peace and positivity.

The movement was known as Laughter Yoga. It has established clubs in 105 countries. The clubs all celebrate World Laughter Day and introduce it to their communities. World Laughter Day celebrations are usually made up of people gathering in public to share in laughter. Adherents claim that laughter releases endorphins which help us feel better. Laughing reduces stress. It lowers blood pressure and improves heart health. Laughing helps build relationships. Laughing with someone brings you closer together. Laughter can help you make friends and help you make up with someone you've been angry with.

Someone recently sent me an article about the divisions in the Church. Those divisions do exist. Our country is certainly divided politically and in other ways. People's outlooks on our world and the direction it is going in seem to be on a downward trend. Maybe we all need a good laugh to improve our outlook. A good laugh can make us feel better. It can bring us a little closer together, which is something we definitely need.

A good laugh this May 5 might be just what we all need. I hope we can all laugh at a joke or maybe at some of the funny situations that life presents us with. So much laughter today is at someone else's expense. We make fun of people, of their ideas and point of view. That's not the kind of laughter we need. As my father always said, "It's not really funny unless the other person is laughing too."

Dad jokes are defined as "a wholesome type of joke of the type said to be told by fathers with a punchline that is often an obvious or predictable pun or play on words and usually judged to be endearingly corny or unfunny." As unfunny as they may be, dad jokes are jokes we can all laugh at. They may be the kind of jokes to share and laugh at this World Laughter Day. One of my dad's favorite jokes was about a snail who went to buy a car. This was at a time when all the automakers were making lines known as K-cars, or J-cars, or X-cars. The salesman asked the snail what kind of car he wanted. The snail said, "I want an S-car." The salesman asked, "Why do you want an S-car?" The snail said, "So when people see me driving down the street, they'll all say, 'Look at that escargot!" Painfully bad, but one of my dad's favorites. If that's not worthy of a laugh, maybe you can try this one. "Parallel lines have so much in common. It's a shame that they never meet." Happy World Laughter Day!

While I have spent a lot of space writing about World Laughter Day, I also want to offer congratulations to all our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. It was a big day for them and their families. We hope and pray that they will be joining us each Sunday at Mass to share in the Eucharist. Graduation is drawing closer for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. I also want to offer congratulations to our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. They will receive their graduation ribbons at the 8:30 AM Mass this coming Wednesday.

Fr. Jim Hyland

# ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

MHR St Vincent DePaul's mission is to assist people living in MHR Parish boundaries in times of need.

If you are having difficulty due to illness, employment changes, caring for a loved one, etc, PLEASE CONTACT us through the rectory office at 708-425-5354. We can help with utility bills and other housing expenses, help pay for food, and find additional resources that can offer additional aid. We often get requests for help too late in the situation to help effectively. The sooner you contact us, the more we can help and find relevant resources to assist you. If you, or someone you know, needs help we are here for you.

All contact is strictly confidential.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? This is your chance to update records. Contact Eileen at ebrett@mostholyredeemer.org or the rectory office at 708.425.5354 with any changes.

If you have not been receiving email updates, please send your email address to ebrett@mostholyredeemer.org so we can keep you updated and encouraged!

# SCAN THE QR CODE AND FOLLOW THE PROMPTS TO GIVE TO MOST HOLY REDEEMER!



Do you know someone in the military and would like to add their name to our list? We would be happy to include their name and pray for them. Please call the Rectory at 425.5354 ext 203 or email bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer.org.

# PLEASE KEEP OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Robert Leitelt Jonathan Edborg Ryan Carrasquillo Brian P. Duffy Charles Cassidy Michael McRae Michael McCartin John W. Campbell Andrew Jackson Donald L. Brady Meliesa Brooker Ronda Verback Edward Hunt Mitchell Moss Brad Liberio **Patrick Harrington** Michael J. Pedersen John Koman Sean Kaufmann

Michael Parker John McDoniel Kevin Deering Brendan W. Brown Christopher Kurtz Maggie Kealy Anthony Boehm Anton Thauer **Casey** Hopkins Carolyn Roberts Molly Koman Colleen Kaufmann Michael Pufunt **Jimmy Pufunt** Matthew Olsen Emma Geyer Frank Dovle Brendan W. Brown Colin Bucko

# PLANNED GIVING

If your family's needs are being met, please be a light to others by considering a gift through your individual retirement account (IRA) in support of our parish. By naming Most Holy Redeemer Parish as a beneficiary, you will provide crucial financial support to our parish and the entire value of your gift will be transferred to us free from federal estate and income tax. It costs nothing to change the beneficiary on your retirement plan and will mean everything to our future parish community.

Please contact your IRA administrator for more information, or contact Marguerite Q. Zappa, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.848.3068 or mzappa@archchicago.org.

# Parish Life



# PARKING LOT PARTY!! SAVE THE DATE

# SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2024

Since the Party in the Parking Lot was such a success last year, we are going to do it again! This year the Party will be on Saturday, June 15th. The Party is not only a perfect kickoff to what is sure to be a great summer but it is also one of our Parish's largest fundraisers.

Tickets to the event are \$30 each or purchase a table of 10 for \$300 for you and your family and friends. Tables of 10 and individual tickets can be purchased through give central. Tables are limited, so purchase your tables soon. The event is BYOB. We provide the entertainment and you bring your own drinks and snacks!

You can also make sponsorship donations for the event at the above link or mail or drop off checks at the rectory office.

# **Parish Life**

#### May 2024

 C - Church
 SL - School Library

 CON - Convent
 AH - Adamich Hall

 S - School
 BH - Briody Hall

 R - Rectory
 BH - Briody Hall

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 C.–School May Crowning 1:30 p.m. C.–First Communion Practice 6:30 p.m.	2	3	4 C – First Communion 11: 00 a.m.
5 C – Parish May Crowning 11:00 a.m.	6 C – School of Religion Closing Mass 6:15 p.m. R – Summer Fundraiser Meeting 7:00 p.m.	7	8 C – 8 <sup>n</sup> Grade Ribbon Mass 8:30 a.m. CCR – Parent's Club Meeting 6:30 p.m.	9	10 BH – Kindergarten Mother's Day Tea 1:00 p.m.	11
12	13	14 R – Spiritual Life Meeting 7:00 p.m.	15	16	17 Hickory Hills Country Club – Men's Club Golf Outing 11:00 a.m.	18
19 C – Retirement Celebration for Mrs. Duffy and Mrs. Cagney 9:30 a.m.	20	21 R – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 p.m	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 BH – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Award Ceremony 6:00 p.m.	30	31 C – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation 7:00 p.m.	

#### **FAMILY ADORATION**

Are you looking for something to do as a family, please feel free to stop by the chapel and pray together.

Chapel hours:

Monday and Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

"I urge priests, religious and lay people, to redouble their efforts to teach the younger generation the meaning and value of Eucharistic Adoration and Devotion." - St. John Paul II





# OUR PARISH. OUR COMMUNITY.

The **MHR School Foundation** is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit entity. Recently founded by parents in the community, the MHR Foundation aims to support the long-term success of the school, our parish and our community.

#### www.mhrfoundation.com

# WHAT WE DO

The MHR Foundation raises funds for the sole benefit of our parish school. The establishment of the MHR Foundation ensures that every year Most Holy Redeemer School will receive a monetary gift (10% of our total assets) from the foundation's endowment. As the endowment grows, this annual gift will increase and goes directly to the operating budget of the school. The school's operating budget includes expenses like <u>teachers' salary</u>, <u>technological improvements</u>, <u>and building upkeep and maintenance</u>. Growing an endowment will help ensure that Most Holy Redeemer can continue to provide quality, value based Catholic education.

# **OUR STORY**

The MHR Foundation story is just beginning. It started with a group of parents asking how can we promote Catholic education and ensure the long-term success and financial health of our school? With that, the idea of the MHR Foundation came into existence. Fundraising began with the successful launch of <u>Raider Races</u>, which allowed the MHR School Foundation to make its first monetary donation to the school.

Most Holy Redeemer parish is **our** faith-based community that has flourished for more than eight decades. For many of us, the MHR experience has become the foundation of our lives, education, faith and community. MHR has been a defining force in our hearts, marriages, children, friends, family and traditions. We are beyond proud to call ourselves the **Most Holy Redeemer Raiders!** 

Whether you are a stakeholder in our community, active parishioner, student, alumni, parent, or grandparent we need you to answer the bell during MHR's time of need. As a community of believers, the strength of our school is ours to build together. Our best days are in front of us as we pass the torch with a brighter flame to a fresh group of stewards.

As we expand our fundraisers and seek donor support, we look forward to continuing this story with our parish, our school, and our community. We are deeply grateful for your support!



# **Community News**



#### "It's time for the garden."

#### Bereavement Program Adult Grief Support Group

OSF Healthcare Little Company of Mary Medical Center will be hosting a 6-week adult grief support group. The sessions will meet on Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Evergreen Park Library, 9400 South Troy Avenue, Lower Level, in Evergreen Park, Ullock

Losing a loved one can be especially difficult. Whether the loss was recent or sometime ago, the feelings of grief can be overwhelming and intense. The grief support sessions will be designed to offer support and encouragement in an environment of respect and compassion. Adults who have lost a loved one and are in need of support are welcome.

> Session 1 – May 16, 2024 Session 2 – May 23, 2024 Session 3 – May 30, 2024 Session 4 – June 06, 2024 Session 5 – June 13, 2024 Session 6 – June 20, 2024

Registration is requested one week prior to the first session. To register, please call Sheila, the Bereavement Coordinator, at (708)-229-4299.



Oak Lawn Garden Club Annual plant sale

# Saturday, May 18th, 2024

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or until sold out

Centennial Park 94<sup>th</sup> and Nashville, Oak Lawn

"Save the date" – Oak Lawn Garden Club Garden Walk Sunday, June 23, 2024

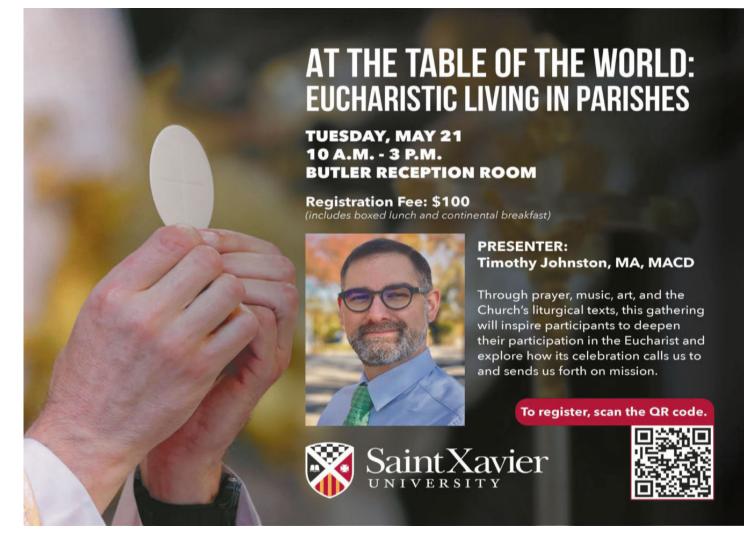


# TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE HIGHEST PAYOUT RATES IN OVER A DECADE!

The archdiocesan rates for charitable gift annuities have increased again. When you establish a charitable gift annuity with the archdiocese, not only will you receive fixed payments for life, but you can designate our parish, school or ministry – such as the Annual Catholic Appeal – as the remainder beneficiary.

You can schedule payments according to your financial needs, and enjoy immediate and future tax benefits, including a federal income tax deduction for a portion of your gift, if you itemize. Also, a portion of each annuity payment will be tax-free (through life expectancy). The funds remaining after your lifetime will support our parish or school – as designated by you.

For more information, please visit <u>giving.archchicago.org/cga</u>. To receive a free, no-obligation personalized illustration of how you could benefit from a Charitable Gift Annuity, contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or <u>kcampbell@archchicago.org</u>.



# **MASS INTENTIONS**



Sunday, May 5~6th Sunday of Easter 8:00 Rev. Albert Adamich 9:30 Ray Doran 11:00 People of Most Holy Redeemer / Catherine Ann Johnson Monday, May 6 6:30 Souls in Purgatory 8:30 Rev. Richard Dempsey Tuesday, May 7 6:30 Susie Brett 8:30 Michael P. Madden Wednesday, May 8 6:30 Keen Furlong 8:30 Catherine Loughrin Thursday, May 9 6:30 Elaine Roach 8:30 Betty Strnal Friday, May 10 6:30 Rev. Albert Adamich 8:30 Rosemary Hyland Saturday, May 11 8:30 Maureen Wynne 4:30 Richard and Geraldine Getz / Marsha, Bob, and Ryan Spokas

#### Sunday, May 12~ The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 People of Most Holy Redeemer / Benefactors of the Fr. Franzen Scholarship Fund

9:30 Lorraine Moriarty / Keen Furlong

11:00 Ellen M. Breyer / Patricia Carter



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS, MUSICIANS, AND SERVERS FOR MAY 11 / 12							
	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Music			
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Allie Villa Fernanda Villa Molly O'Connor	Pat Telander Cathy Lahart Ruth Muscato	Leah Ostry Kathy Burns	Linda Maffiola			
Sunday 8 a.m.	Flynn Steinmetz Will Steinmetz Keira Steinmetz	Mary Lou DiNovo Bernie McNamara Kathy Shannon	Jean Hanlon	Linda Maffiola			
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	John Kratzer Marie Davidson George Davidson	Jenn Hynes Christine Bibro Mary Riccio	Don Grochocinski Rick Schultz	Linda Maffiola			
11 a.m.	Charlie Cushing Claire Cushing Emmett Hosty	Chris Lanuti Teri Schulte Dennis Smith	Robert Speski Debra Vinci - Minogue	MHR Sacred Choir			

# **Our Finances**

## WEEKEND COLLECTION

#### Week of 04/28

In church and drop off envelopes				
Electronic Offering				
Total Offering				
Budgeted				
Amount under / over budget				
6				

## FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

\$6,608 \$2,799 \$9,407 \$12,500

(\$3,093)

Offering	\$478,669
Budget	\$562,500
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$83,831)

Your continued support of the parish is critical to our fiscal health. Please make provisions if you are away on vacation to continue to make your offering or visit www.givecentral.org to contribute via check or credit card. As always, thank you for your generosity.



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